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SUBJECT: VOLKSWAGEN PLANS TO LOCATE IN THE UNITED STATES

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1. AS PREDICTED IN REFTTEL, THE VOLKSWAGEN BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNOUNCED ON APRIL 23 THEIR DECISION TO INVEST IN AN ASSEMBLY PLANT FOR VW CARS IN THE UNITED STATES. THE DECISION IS TO INVEST \$150-200 MILLION IN AN ASSEMBLY PLANT WHICH WILL BE OPERATION IN THE SECOND HALF OF 1977 AND WHICH WILL ULTIMATELY HAVE A CAPACITY OF 800 CARS PER DAY. EMPLOYMENT WILL START AT 2,000 PERSONS AND REACH 5,500 WHEN IT IS AT FULL CAPACITY.

2. IN MAKING THEIR DECISION, THE BOARD FAILED TO
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SPECIFY WHICH OF SEVERAL LOCATIONS WILL RECEIVE THIS

INVESTMENT PLUM. A SPOKESMAN FOR VOLKSWAGEN OF AMERICA
SAID THAT THREE SITES ARE UNDER CONSIDERATION: BROOK
PARK, OHIO (NEAR CLEVELAND), NEW STANTION, PENNSYLVANIA,
AND COLUMBUS, OHIO. SPOKESMAN AT VW IN WOLFSBURG
WOULD NOT DENY THIS REPORT. POST HAS NO REASON TO
BELIEVE THAT ITS PREVIOUS REPORT OF THE ULTIMATE
SITE IS NOT CORRECT. BROGAN

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